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Those Bogus Grills.

To The Editor of The Eagle Philatelist:

The effusion of Dr. E. S. Clark on grills, upon which you desire comment, is quite properly printed in "Filatelic Facts and Fallacies" for it is beyond question a fallacy and I suppose the editor knows whether it is "Filatelic" or not. Its sublime contempt or profound ignorance for and of the principles of logic, the rules of evidence, the dogmas of ethics and the facts of stamp collecting, leave us in doubt as to whether it is a sophism by which the author has attempted to deceive others, or a pasalogism by which he is himself deceived. As the sub-title proclaims that it is seriously intended, let charity assume that in this wanton attempt to lessen the value of other people's property the author has been the victim of his own imagination.

Dr. Clark begins by asserting that a novice supposes stamps to be the same which differ in certain recognized respects. Dr. Clark proceeds to prove that he supposes stamps to be the same which he admits differ in certain recognized respects. Does it not follow that Dr. Clark has proved himself to be a novice. In so doing however, he thus juggles with the English language: "Every United States stamp that is grilled has *a duplicate* that is not grilled; the two are *identical* except for the few punctures made by a steel die, those with the punctures are the more *valuable*." Where were the much vaunted public schools of California when Dr. Clark was a scholar, and what is the matter with his dictionary? Even when they spell philately with an F is it not known that two things are not *duplicates* or *identical* which differ in any respect, be it in value, in texture, in detail of engraving, perforation or puncture? The very form of the query he propounds annihilates itself and at the same time begs the whole question. It conceeds that there are genuine grilled as well as ungrilled stamps and that they differ both in this respect and in value. While other novices may ignore this difference in punctures, made by steel dies (sic), just as they do those made by steel needles, steel plates and steel machinery, they would tell Dr. Clark they do not ignore the difference in value, for difference in value simply means that one is held in higher estimation than another and that because of its greater rarity there is the greater difficulty in finding it. Be it observed in passing that it may be a "Filatelic Fact" that the genuine punctures were made by a steel die; it has heretofore been supposed to be a philatelic fact that they were made by plates.

But having admitted in the beginning that there are genuine grills, he is moved in the headlong rush of his argument, before he closes, to inquire: "If any are genuine who can guarantee them?" "Only the individual who buys them in the post office," he answers, and therefore we inquire where and when Dr. Clark got those grilled specimens of the 1868-70 United States issue which he knew to be genuine, which he obtained for this test, which the experts could not recognize one-fifth of the time. If in a post office in this year of grace 1893 it behooves him to give its name that other collectors may obtain specimens that they can guarantee to be originals, though originals that cannot be recognized by the experts are hardly to be desired. We may not request him to get them for us, because the moment they passed from his hands to ours, accord-

ing to his own rule "there would be no certainty that they were not made to order." There are other gentlemen who have experimented in stamps until it is sufficient to discredit any stamp that has passed through their hands, which is a philatelic fact that it may be well to recall when dealing with the owner of "an outfit of press and dies and grills made to suit the individual tastes." But if not obtained in a post office so recently as this year, how long since were they obtained, and has Dr. Clark been all this time since 1870 maturing this test? If not obtained in a post office at all the test fails by his own rule. Is he quite sure that either in a post office or in his hands they have not in these 23 years somehow gotten mixed with those produced by this famous outfit of press and dies. As the experts failed to recognize some of them as originals, who is to be credited, Dr. Clark or the experts.

But while such a test may be a filatelic test it certainly is not a philatelic test nor one sanctioned by any rule of evidence. If it were the only test of the genuineness of a grilled stamp, then it must be the only test of the genuineness of all other stamps, and what becomes of our collections. The reasons for propounding such a rule given by Dr. Clark do not help the matter. Does he not know that many a stamp has been so skillfully forged as to deceive many of the experts, that even genuine stamps have had the watermark, details of engraving, aye and the perforation tampered with to the deception of many. If his test were a true one, is it not quite as applicable to coins, ancient and modern, to the greenback, silver and gold certificate, government bond, and that to have a guarantee of their genuineness they too must have been bought by the holder at the treasury, for all these things have been so successfully forged as to deceive certain experts, and there are instances when the larger part of the currency passing daily from hand to hand was bogus; witness in our own country the colonial, the southern confederacy, the wild cat bank notes. If the test were a fair one how about other things that men collect, such as antiquities of all kinds, statuary, pictures, gems and jewels, all of which are so successfully imitated as to deceive all but the most skillful experts. Few originals of these are in the hands of those who got them from the maker or the mine. Yet there are collectors and collections of all these and the rules of evidence accepted by other people enable the experts to pronounce upon their character with authority. There is no rule among them requiring evidence that the holder got them at first hands; there is no rule among them requiring that the chain of ownership should have been preserved; there is no rule among them that only those things which have never been counterfeited are collectable. On the contrary there are few highly prized and celebrated articles in the great collections that have not been imitated and the imitation palmed off with a legend that it is the stolen original, the real imitation standing for it in the museums.

Neither by the rules of law or ethics is anyone permitted either to depreciate the value of other people's property by such effusions as this, or highly esteemed for making such articles as the Doctor claims to have exhibited before the Pacific Society. There are some unpleasant names attached to similar deeds and actions in the civil courts, sounding in damages and prosecutions in the criminal courts, resulting in pains and punishments when these experiments are made with the products of the Mint & Bureau of Engraving. To none of these would it be considered as a defense that the experiments were made to show that the experts could be deceived or had made the product more valuable or shown the original to be less so. There is a law intended to protect the issues of the postoffice but so seldom infringed in the United States as to have received but slight construction from the courts. Abroad the addition of bogus post-marks to genuine stamps has been held to fall within its prohibitions; whether the ornamentation of a bogus grill may not likewise has not been judiciously determined. The Department would hardly permit the retention of this outfit of press and dies were the stamps current, perhaps not even now. Governments for self-protection are very jealous of any tampering with their issues.

Are the other statements of the article quite correct? "Any stamp" says Dr. Clark "can be grilled in any size in a few minutes and the post-mark made as natural as if the stamp had passed through the postoffice." Why post-marked at all? The unused grilled stamps are nearly all worth more than the used, but a used fraud is often more difficult to detect than an unused. There were also exhibited "grills made to suit the individual members, large, small, reversed or otherwise (?grills or members) and none could be distinguished from the genuine." After this came the issues of 1890 & 1893 "just as nicely punctured and apparently genuine, for the post-mark from nearly every important city in the Union could be plainly seen lightly touching over the raised edges of the grill." After this one may doubt whether the learned Dr. knows what words mean. How can a thing be "apparently genuine" when we know positively that no such thing exists except as a fraud. And what kind of *experts* would entertain such an opinion?

But if the specimen shown us is a fair sample of these famous forgeries they should not have deceived even an ordinary collector who had examined a few hundred good specimens of the stamps grilled by authority. While it must be admitted that numbers of grills which must be genuine were so faintly impressed originally or have been so flattened and otherwise marred by wetting, pressure, post-marking etc., that their characteristics are not visible, and also that many of the various imitations more or less closely resemble these imperfect specimens, both are equally unfit for a collection, and the specimen before us has not even approached the appearance of a true grill. When the counterfeit is clearly impressed, and there are far better ones than the Doctor has produced, it is easily recognized. There are clear, well defined impressions of the original genuine grills that can be pronounced on with equal certainty. It results that so many defective specimens that may be genuine will be rejected by the careful collector as unsatisfactory, and thus render the satisfactory grills all the more valuable. The remedy against frauds is not to dispute the collectibility of the genuine but to learn to distinguish one from the other.

About Confederates.

BY THE EDITOR.

To us the stamps of the Confederate States of America impart a story of undying interest. Whenever we see specimens of the postal issues of the Confederacy, it limns upon our mind, scenes and incidents of those days of internecine strife, of "grim-visaged war." A war which as years roll on happily challenges the truth of good old Spencer's lines: "For blood can naught but sin and wars but sorrows yield." The sacrifice was beyond the telling, but how divine the result! Northland and Southland of a mighty nation cemented in bonds of holy love; love of such degree as was never felt before.

During the dark days of the Confederacy, the southern people were sometimes reduced to dire extremity for lack of many necessities of every-day life. It is noticeable that oftentimes, they had need to resort to ingenious methods for supplying themselves with envelopes, for the transmission of their correspondence.

We shall tell of a few curiosities of a philatelic nature, that are numbered in our quite ordinary collection of Confederates.

We have an envelope sent by a Confederate soldier, who was imprisoned at Johnson's Island, Ohio, to Natchez, Miss. It is a three-cent stamped envelope of the U. S. 1864 issue. It is stamped in four lines, enclosed in an oval: "Prisoner's Letter. Examined T. O. C. Johnson's Island, O." It is postmarked, Sandusky, O., Dec. 30th, 1864, and New Orleans, Jan. 12th. There are several other words stamped upon it, which are illegible. Two envelopes bearing the five-cent green of 1861 are each addressed to Hon. A. H. Stephens, Richmond, Virginia, and are interesting, as having the synopsis of the letters' contents written on the backs of the envelopes, evidently by Mr. Stephen's secretary. A three-cent red on white, 1860 U. S. stamped envelope, is used with a twenty-cent green Confederate covering the envelope stamp. Envelopes manufactured out of wall paper are not uncommon, but we possess two envelopes

that were made from the title-pages of books or pamphlets. On one, prepaid by a ten-cent blue 1863, is the inscription: "Substance of a funeral sermon on the death of Simeon Gibson and his infant grand-child, delivered at Pine Ridge Church, Miss., July 22, 1849, by Rev. Wm. Winans." On the other envelope prepaid by a pair of five-cent 1862, are similar printed extracts. There are several envelopes that have been pressed into service twice; some by being turned inside out and others, re-addressed and stamped again, on the face. An envelope stamped with a five-cent green 1861, is marked: "Due 5." It is noticed that on each of the few envelopes bearing a New Orleans local, in our possession, the word "mail" is written in a corner. The pictorial war envelope of southern origin is intensely interesting. We have a northern envelope, bearing the allegorial figure of an angel floating a banner inscribed: "The Union, Now, Henceforth and Forever, Amen!" It is prepaid by a ten-cent blue 1861 Confederate however, and addressed to a point in Mississippi, thus showing it was evidently captured by a southerner, from a northern boy. It is "pen postmarked": "Harris' Miss. Brigade, Camp near Richmond, Va., May 24th, 1862." Above and below the stamp in minute letters is the humorous inscription: "Paid—if it sticks." Another northern envelope bearing a picture of George Washington holding the stars and stripes, probably captured from a boy in blue by a boy in gray, is also prepaid by a ten-cent Confederate, 1861 issue. On the picture of the stars and stripes, the southerner had written: "This flag is about played out." The envelope is addressed to a young lady to whose eyes tears of joy must surely have welled upon receiving it, for her name and address were entwined with garlands of roses and other flowers, exquisitely drawn with pen and ink. On the flap of the envelope was a beautiful wreath of flowers. As the good friend who gave us this envelope said, this soldier was "an artistic genius."

One envelope contrasting oddly with the usual common-place ones, is a prettily embossed one similar to those now used for valentines. On the back is a nicely colored Confederate flag. The envelope is addressed to a Master Conner, "Politeness of Hon. C. K. Farrar," and has an uncancelled ten-cent, 1863. An envelope showing a picture of Jeff Davis, "Our Frst President" is ornamented with some pleasing pen-strokes by the writer and it bears the ordinary ten-cent blue.

We have others that to us at least are of curious interest, but as there are so many collectors who have specimens of much greater interest, in the way of Confederates, that a catalogue further of our possessions would seem trivial in their eyes. We should be very glad to publish anything our readers might send us, telling of any of their Confederate treasures.

Notes on U. S. Stamps.

Have you noticed that the gum on unused specimens of the 30 cent 1860, seems to have a tendency to slightly roughen and "draw" the surface of the stamp?

The 2 cent State Department is a comparatively rare stamp and is more difficult to obtain than its catalogue valuation leads one to believe.

A *good* specimen of the five-cent 1851 is not readily obtainable at the present catalogue rate, i. e., six dollars, as some collectors who have tried to procure it well know.

The motto of our friend, the 90 cent Justice appears to be "Onward and Upward," particularly the "upward" part. At the last auction sale, it realized in unused condition, $18.50.

Of the department stamps, only three are priced at one cent each. They are the three cent values of War, Interior and Post-office.

One of our friends has a bent for buying all the specimens of the 2 cent 1869 that come under his observation. Another Chicagoan at one time purchased all specimens of the Centennial envelopes that he could lay hands upon and in this way he accumulated several hundred specimens of these stamps.

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The 163rd meeting was called to order on the evening of Oct. 5th, by President Lelond at the new rooms, 1131 Masonic Temple. The following members were present: Messrs. Cottlow, Doherty, Hopkins, Miller, Nicholas, Ranney, Schindler, Severn, Toppan and Wolsieffer; also, as visitors, Messrs. J. P. Glass and Emil J. Rall. Minutes of previous meeting were approved as read. Communications were received from Messrs. Heusinger, Haldy, and Leckie, and in the cases of Messrs. Hadley and Leckie, Secretary was instructed as to reply. Secretary was also instructed to reply to a letter from Mrs. Jenks, owner of the carpet in the society's room. The Governing Board reported that it had accepted the resignation of E. W. Heusinger; that it had ordered action on a matter which as yet was not to come before the society; and that it had posted the application of R. W. Ashcroft for corresponding membership, proposed by C. E. Severn. Discussions on affairs of the treasury and library were held and after recess, adjournment was taken at 10:30 p. m. C. E. SEVERN, Sec'y.

The 164th regular meeting was called to order on the evening of Oct. 19th by President Leland, in the presence of Messrs. Cottlow, Doherty, Hopkins, Hosmer, McDonald, Nicholas, Miller, Pierce, Schindler, Severn and Wolsieffer; also, the following visitors; Messrs. Achard, Beard, Berquist, Crawford, Deats, Ferris, Goerwitz, Nelton, Rall and Wendt. Minutes of previous meeting were approved as read. A communication was read from C. W. Kissinger, offering to supply the library with copies of his publications and on motion, a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Kissinger for his offer. The Governing Board reported that it had acted upon a few matters of minor importance and that it had bulletined the following applications for membership: C. W. Kissinger, proposed by C. E. Severn; L. Brodstone, Superior, Neb.; Will J. Colcleugh, Saginaw, Mich.; and Dr. Robert D. Locke, Chicago, the last three names being proposed by A. L. Doherty. R. W. Ashcroft, Philadelphia was unanimously elected to membership. During recess, the 26th advertised auction sale was held. Adjournment at 10:30 P. M. C. E. SEVERN, Sec'y.

SHORTS.

S. B. Hopkins is making the issues of Russia a specialty at present.

We have at least one authority on postal cards in Chicago, in the person of Mr. Schindler, our efficient and courteous librarian.

On the Thursdays on which no meetings are held, i. e., the second and fourth of each month, there are informal gatherings of members at the rooms.

All philatelists resident in Chicago or elsewhere, are cordially invited to attend a meeting of the society.

When it comes to entertaining visitors and making them feel at home, our genial fellow-member, Mr. Doherty is "equalled by few, excelled by none."

Dr. Salomon has favorably considered our suggestion and he now promises "special rates for philatelists."

Amid cracking of whips and great applause, the renowned and urbane C. R. Gadsden has made his periodical and triumphal *entree* in the philatelic ring.

COMMENT.

(BY COMMENTATOR.)

We recently read in a philatelic paper a sentence containing twenty-one words and of that number, four words were borrowed from foreign languages; three from the French and one from the Italian. Oftentimes, the writers who evince so marked a partiality for other languages, are those who have merely a smattering of them. As a person progresses in the study of any language, the desire to borrow and quote from it at the expense of our mother-tongue, becomes more remote. The writings of a polyglot are usually noticeably free from any admixtures from any language, other than that of his country.

To be equipped so as to be able to quote judiciously from French, Latin, etc., is quite a showy accomplishment and one that is to be by no means decried, but wholesale usage of foreign terms is the essence of bad taste. A word from a tongue foreign to our own is very effective and expressive here and there and adds to a reader's satisfaction, but when the matter is overdone the effect on intelligent readers is not pleasant.

If a certain person's conversation is to be believed, somebody is making a pretty penny out of somebody else, by virtue of the Hawaiian provisionals. This gentleman who occupies a semi-official position in Honolulu, in speaking with us, told of some of the inside facts in regard to the manipulation of the stamps and the manner in which certain persons' influence had much to do in shaping some of the postal matters of the country, so as to redound to their individual advantage. We hope our friend's words have no foundation, although it *is* speculation run riot in the instance of these stamps.

There appear to be several "stock" philatelic items going the rounds of the daily press. Two in question, are: A brief account of the sale to a Philadelphian, of the plate from which the Providence stamps were printed, together with some of the stamps, and an item mentioning the Tapling collection and its estimated value. Each article contains the inaccuracies peculiar to stamp items in the daily press, and as they are copied and recopied by different papers, the accounts will have become so distorted as to be amusing. It is possible that they will run on for years and become cases parallel to those of the "Ferrary" items, which even now, bob up in various newspapers quite frequently.

The cable-car stopped at the corner, and several passengers, among whom was a sweet young girl wearing kid gloves with bright red buttons, boarded the car. This girl carried what appeared to be a large-sized book, under her arm and as she took a seat opposite to the one we occupied, the paper covering the book became disarranged. Taking the covering off altogether, so as to more expeditiously rewrap the book, there lay revealed a finely bound copy of Mekeel's Postage Stamp Album of the World. How we longed to speak to her and ask, if she were a stamp-collector; if she were not, perhaps her little brother Willie was? Her lips had so haughty a curl, however, that we feared should we speak to her without an introduction, that she would call a policeman and have us arrested.

It looks as though there were no case against "Canadensis" Hooper. We are pleased to learn that the case will probably be dismissed by the prosecution, for lack of evidence. Altogether, this case is most remarkable and it affords a curious demonstration of the manner in which circumstances can array themselves against a person.

We heard a good story on our publisher and if the editor will allow it, we shall tell it in our next number.

Some Old Maxims Applied to Philately.

1. Always room for improvement.
2. A fool and his stamps are soon parted.
3. Half a stamp is better than none, especially if it is a provisional on the original cover.
4. A stamp in hand is worth a whole flock of Nova Scotia Shillings in the Bush.
5. "All things come to those who wait" including many things we don't want, and an occasional article from

PHILATELIC RAMBLER.

Town Tips.

F. Lawrenceson of Canton, Mo., was a recent visitor, who left a pleasing impression upon those who met him. The stamps of the United States are Mr. Lawrenceson's favorites.

L. H. Ray, of Lindsay, Canada, was a visitor with whom we enjoyed a delightful hour's chat, on stamp matters and kindred subjects. Mr. Ray is a person of scholarly tastes and his specialty is, the stamps of North America.

Mr. Jerrems of Chicago, is one of those who personally met Lewis Bishop. As a memento of Bishop—rather an expensive one it proved—he has a letter addressed to Lewis Bishop from Honolulu, prepaid by certain of the Hawaiian provisionals.

We thank Mr. Pierce the well-known dealer for an excellent photograph of fifteen of the charter members of the P. S. of A.

Mr. Block-o'-Four Slater of Providence, R. I., is a gentleman of genial and magnetic presence. He stands high—over six feet—in stamp-circles; also, in Masonic circles, being a thirty-second degree Mason. Mr. Slater's collection is such, as to excite admiration in the breast of any collector.

There is a rumor of a contemplated change in the management of the *Chicago Philatelist.*

A. P. Hosmer is enrolled as one of the company of the uniformed, Sons of the Revolution.

Mr. Ferris made some interesting additions to his letter-sheet collection recently.

V. Gurdji is still "in the midst of us," as Eugene Field would have it.

Speaking of Mr. Field, it is said that he takes a passive interest in philately, although he does not collect stamps.

There is a strong possibility of W. Hesing becoming the next postmaster of Chicago, and as Mr. Hesing is a philatelist possessing a collection of magficent proportions, it is likely that stamp collectors would be in accord with his appointment.

C. P. Geudtner is applying himself diligently to his medical studies, at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Chicago.

G. A. Claussenius, secretary of the Austrian Consulate at Chicago, makes a specialty of Austria and Cape of Good Hope. He is a recent acquisition to C. P. S. ranks.

The *Puritan Philatellst* is announced for the last of December. Our Chicago friend, Chris Peterson will be responsible for its issue and the paper will be distributed gratuitously.

Mr. Hood of St. Paul, has been stopping in Chicago on the return from his trip to the south.

J. P. Glass' collection of errors is growing; so is his collection of the issues of Greece.

The halcyon days are come. It is no exaggeration to say that philately in Chicago in all its branches is now at high-water mark. Never before has the interest manifested by local collectors in all that pertains to philately been so marked.

Anticipatory of Christmas, many local collectors have taken their pens in hand and now, with copies of "Every Man His Own Letter Writer" before them are laboriously penning missives, which are to be sent to Santa Claus in the way of reminding him not to forget them, when on his annual rounds. Those collectors who possess stockings will suspend them near the chimney-place on Christmas eve, but those of them who, as advocates of the Simpsonian idea,dispense with the formality of utilizing stockings will hang up their boots or shoes instead.

Chris Peterson recently acquired in one fell swoop, over a million United States stamps.

A branch of the Philatelic Sons of America will probably be organized here before long.

J. A. Pierce wants a harp so that he may twang it, accompanying himself with gladsome song, with a look of radiant innocence in his eyes, in an endeavor to convince impressible persons that he is only filling a temporary engagement on this material sphere. He would have you believe that his regular abode is in the ethereal regions over-head.

Points.

The Minneapolis society now has an appropriately-furnished room in an accessible part of the city for its meetings. A register for visitors and an album for philatelic portraits, are two features found in the quarters of this rapidly-growing society.

We met C. D. Reimers, the ex-publisher of this paper, in town the other day. He is studying conscientiously at the Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill., and will soon be able to converse in four or five different languages. We confidently predict that C. D. will become in time, a great and good man.

Messrs. Carter, Whitall, Barnes and Achard, have purchased the *Northwest* from Mr. George of Minneapolis. Mr. Achard will be editor and Mr. Whitall manager under the new *regime.*

Our philatelic friend, Lewis H. Benton, is making a grand success of his venture, *The Golden Star.* Keep your eye on Mr. Benton for he is not going to stop until he reaches the topmost round of the ladder.

The article of the *San Francisco Call* on Hawaiian provisionals was reprinted in two Chicago dailies.

The "Yon Yonson" theatrical company has for one of its lithographs, a representation of a letter bearing a ten ore carmine, 1891 issue of Sweden.

Both the *Eastern* and the *Pennsylvania* will issue grand Christmas numbers; that of the Pennsy promising to be especially notable.

The *Northwest Annual* is to be issued from Minneapolis by the Northwest Co., about Dec. 10th. It will contain about sixty pages and be contributed to by the best authors.

We heard a curious tale about a U. S. 3 cent pink of 1861 the other day. A collector had one which had been pronounced pink by competent authorities, on the original envelope. One day he was examining it at a window when his attention was demanded elsewhere. He placed the envelope on the window-sill, where it remained during the period of his absence, about four or five hours. Upon his return the envelope was discovered in the position it was placed, but alack! the stamp upon the envelope was no longer the rare three cent pink—instead, it was the common rose. It appears that in the owner's absence, the sun had shone brightly on the stamp for several hours and it actually had the effect of altering the pink color to rose, either by oxidation or by some obscure chemical reaction.

We have seen some of the current two-cent Columbians on paper so thin as to remind one of tissue paper. These stamps appear to be unusually heavily gummed.

Exchanges should send *one* copy to the editor at 448 Racine Ave., and *one* copy to the publishers at Drawer 707, and not two copies to either one address.

We are pleased to learn that the fact of reported suspension of the *Canadian Journal of Philately* has no foundation, according to editor Fowler. It were a pity if Henry's magnificent venture should so soon come to naught.

It is a wise man who knows the difference betwixt a bogus and an authentic grill in these days of enterprise.

Editor Pinkham is going to submit the question of "Chronicle or no Chronicle" to a popular vote among his subscribers.

Albrecht's seventeenth auction sale to be held Dec. 14th and 15th contains a noble lot of U. S. and Confederates.

Talks.

Here's richness! Says the *Washington Philatelist:* "In view of the fact that we nowhere pester our readers with nauseating requests to "mention this paper when answering advertisements," etc. It is business-like, legitimate and always permissable for a publisher to politely request his paper's reader to mention his magazine when writing to any advertiser represented on his pages. Strange as it may appear to our contemporary, many dealers have a wish to know in what paper a customer noticed their advertisement, and they often mention this fact in the body of the "ad." If this request be nauseating to our friend, we fear his stomachic symptoms betray a dyspeptic trend.

We received an invitation to the wedding of Miss Orra Potter to Mr. L. H. Drury of Chicago, which was solemnized on Nov. fifteenth. It was a pleasant surprise to receive the announcement of our friend's intended marriage and it recalled departed memories of philatelic interest. Mr. Drury was a prominent and active factor in Chicago philatelic circles some years ago. He was secretary of the old-time Chalmers Philatelic Society, and was in personal touch with Voute, editor of the whilom *Stamp Collectors' Figaro.* He was an A. P. A. and C. P. S. member and enjoyed an extensive acquaintance with local philatelists. Were it not hopelessly beyond us, we should have composed an epithalamium worthy of Catullus, for our friend who had embarked on the matrimonial sea.

Philately numbers in her train some really excellent writers and we submit as justification of the remark, the names of Missouriensis, Nage and Crawford. "Missouriensis" is one of the most forceful, practical and pointed writers of whom we know. He revels in clear-cut, concise sentences and no needless verbiage and uninvolved remarks bewilder the understandings of his readers. His style is "professional," by which is meant, there is a suggestion of the high-class newspaper about it. "Missouriensis," you are an honor to philatelic authorship.

In "Nage," we have kindly old Major Eagan. The Major is given to the study of the classics for his articles teem with quotations from them, appropriately and happily used. He sparkles, he effervesces; he is so liberally surcharged with carbonic acid gas that every time he opens his mouth or rather, takes his pen in hand, some of it must perforce escape. His writings are lightsome, happy, mellow and spirited.

Then comes Crawford, who is a versatile, pleasing writer. His productions are usually of the semi-instructive sort and for that reason, they are valuable as increasing a reader's store of philatelic lore, in addition to affording pleasant reading. He is a prolific writer, never careless in dictation nor half- hearted in his treatment of a subject, and philately is richer for having in him a follower.

The agitation for elevating the standard of philately is, every now and then, fanned into a lambent flame. Judging from the tenor of the remarks of those who zealously support the "reform," it seems as though they attempt, in their enthusiasm, to do too much. They would have all the stamp papers be what could truthfully be designated as good; not that they need be *P. J. of As* exactly, but all should be respectable magazines. They make a mistake in dreaming of this Utopia. They should know that so long as the condition of the philatelic world continues in its present state, there must be philatelic papers, some of which are poor, others fair and still others good. Even the poor stamp-paper has its place and receives a share of support and patronage; then too, it serves to show by illustration, how *good* some of the good stamp-magazines are.

In the October *Pennsylvania Philatelist*, Mame A. Keene dons her war-bonnet and sails into the boys in this wise:

"Turn where you will, go where you may, see what you can, and you always meet with some production of woman. Speak of us as you will, she is the finishing touch, man only the experiment. She is only one of the many ribs of man, yet she is worth more than all the other bones of his body put together. She is the better half of man, mentally, morally and physically. Without her he would be as a tree stripped of its leaves, without ornamentation or breath of life."

After reading this delicately-worded estimate of the fair sex, we are filled with sadness at the thought of what a job-lot of pilgarlics men in general, are. Seriously, we, figuratively speaking, pat Miss Keene on the back and commend her healthful enthusiasm.

Possibly the readers of the EAGLE think it high time for a bit of *solid* philatelic reading,—something on the instructive order. We wish to say that arrangements have been made by which the EAGLE will soon have the contributions of several authors, who are well-equipped to write on their respective subjects. In this connection it may be said that the reason so much space is given to short notes, items, personals, etc., is because it is in conformity to the wish of our publisher.

Publisher's Notes.

An annoying error occured in the last number for which the printer is responsible. The cover was printed No. 20 instead of 21, but the first page inside was correct. The printing of the *Eagle* is at present being done out of town, which prevents my getting page proofs without great loss of time, hence errors of this nature are difficult to avoid.

Mr. B. S. Ross of this city has favored me with a copy of his large new wholesale list of United States stamps in which he deals exclusively. He does no retail or mail approval business and sells only to the trade. He has an immense stock of U. S. to select from and makes a specialty of Columbians and of the latter he claims to have the largest stock in the world.

Advertisers will do well to send their business to me direct. I have discontinued the agency business for I require cash with copy from them as well as the advertiser. No advertiser will be placed in competition with the dead beat advertiser while I am publisher of the *Eagle Philatelist*. Advertisers not represented in the Eagle that will contract for the year 1894 and are willing to pay quarterly in advance can obtain from me special rates which will only be quoted this month.

Mr. R. B. Severn, uncle of our Editor was elected on the Republican ticket to the important office of Controller of Schuylkill County (the heart of the authracite coal region) Pennsylvania at the recent election. The County is strongly Democratic but a number of Republicans were successful this time in their defense for *protection* as against free trade. Mr. Severn received the greatest majority of any of the winning candidates.

With this issue a large number of sample copies are sent to the same names that received the August issue. If not a subscriber and you desire to receive the *Eagle Philatelist* regulary remit 25 cts. at once, as a raise in the subscription price is contemplated in the near future. Many subscriptions expire with this number and an early renewal is requested in order to keep your file complete. Back numbers can not be furnished. Almost the entire edition of each issue is mailed.

The *Eagle Philatelist* does not care to become the official journal of any society, as it desires to retain its independence at all times and reject such matter as is distasteful to editor and publisher and which quite frequently creeps into society reports, C. P. S. and A. P. A. matters will always be given room with a hearty welcome, but not officially. Other societies can only be accommodated as advertisers.

From Mr. Norman A. Forster, Georgetown B. Guiana comes the news of the formation of a philatelic society for that city. The item concerning the details of the new society was published in the *Daily Chronicle* of October 25th.

My thanks are due to the J. W. Scott Co. Limited for a priced catalogue of their 15th. auction sale Series B. The catalogues of this Company are gotten up in handy shape and the prices are neatly printed in front of each lot. The 90c Justice brought $18.50, quite a jump. Other U. S. stamps went at prices considerably above current catalogue quotations.

The *Quarterly Guide* (October 1893) of the Chicago Post Office was received by the publisher. This is a handy publication giving much valuable information, table of postage rates to all countries, schedule of departing and arriving mails etc. The publication of this Guide reflects great credit on the officials who have the matter in charge.

In the November *Official A. P. A. Circular* Mr. J. D. Rice says. "We fear that too much zeal is being displayed by members of the Association in securing applications. The old adage too much haste less speed, will apply to the present scramble for members". As Mr. Rice uses the term "We" it is to be presumed that he voices the opinion of the Literary Board but I have my doubts about that. While Mr. Rice's remarks may be in good form, yet they are apt to do more harm than good. The circumstances do not warrant them and I should like to see some of the "too much zeal" and the "scramble" for members. All applications are published for 30 days and if Mr. Rice can not pick out the undesirable applicants or any he may object too, perhaps some other equally as wide awake member as Mr. Rice can. Don't let us borrow trouble and above all don't let members be discouraged but keep up the "too much zeal" if it exists and the "scramble" for members. We will pick out the chaff when we sort the application list each month. Let the scramble" be kept up. I have 4 scrambles to my credit for last month and hope for more next.

Speaking of A. P. A. matters reminds me of the fact that I have said very little about the A. P. A. in this journal. I now invite every subscriber and

reader who is not a member of this leading American stamp society, to send to me for an application blank at once and I will put him on the way of becoming a member. The dues are but $1.00 per year and when joining an extra dollar is required to be sent with the application which pays for one share of stock. This dollar goes into a special fund and is returned when a member resigns and surrenders his stock certificate. In order to become a member a collector must also become a stock holder. All stamp collectors of good character can become members. Minors or collectors under 21 years of age must have a guarantor. The A. P. A. shuts out no collector from membership, (except one ex-would-be-office-holder who tried to rule or ruin the society,) that can fill out a proper application and furnish proper credentials. Now at the beginning of the stamp season would be a good time to join and get all the benefits for the year.

All A. P. A. members who may chance to see this item will please bear in mind, that if they have not yet paid their dues it is necessary to attend to it at once. No member's name will appear in the list of members of the annual *American Philatelist* that has neglected to pay his dues. This also applies to the new members who have recently joined and not forwarded the amount to Treasurer N. W. Chandler, Collinsville, Ill.

Join a Philatelic Society.

It is necessary that the active philatelist of to-day be a member of one or more stamp societies. Some collectors are withheld from joining a philatelic organization, by reason of a strange conservatism. These collectors should remember that, "in union there is strength" and nothing can do more to place stamp-collecting on a proper plane in the estimation of the non-collecting public, than stamp societies, which by their great number of members and influence will surely make a favorable impression on the mind of the out-sider. Some collectors allege as their reasons for not joining philatelic societies, that they do not relish the manner in which they are usually managed, and that they further dislike the notoriety attendant upon membership in organizations of such character. If the latter is the case, it is a matter on which nothing need be said, but if the former excuse is advanced, we say, join the society, push yourself to the front and endeavor to reform matters not in accord with your ideas, and have a voice in the management of affairs. By all means, join at least one good philatelic society, and remember that if you do not derive any benefit from membership, it is your own fault. The benefits are there and you may grasp them, if you will.

A Post Office Sketch.

One day, as I sat in the store of a Kentucky mountain town, which was also the post office, a long, gangling youth of 22 or 23 came in. The town of 2,090 was a great city to him, and he was one of the most verdant variety of yap.

"Is this the post office, mister?" he asked of the P. M.

"Yes, sir," was the polite response.

"Is thar a letter here for Miss Liz Smith, that I writ from Short Run las' week?"

The P. M. looked over the list, but found no letter.

"Shure thar ain't none?" he asked persistently.

"Sure."

"Is thar any other post offices in town?" he asked.

"Two more," responded the P. M., who was catching on, and the young man went out to look for them. In half an hour he returned.

"Say, mister," he said sheepishly, as the Postmaster appeared. "I made a mistake. Her name ain't Smith; it's Gipson. My name is Smith, and I got kinder tangled up, never bein' town much. Is thar a letter for Miss Liz Gipson?" The Postmaster looked over the G's, but there was no letter.

"Well, mister, I'm obleeged to yer," said the caller. "I writ her a letter t'other day sain' as how I'd be comin' up to see her—she lives over on Cross Crick—and I reckoned I'd just stop and take the letter along with me. Goodbye," and he went out without showing in any way that he wasn't doing the thing just as it should be done.—*Detroit Free Press.*

28TH AUCTION SALE

Of the Chicago Philatelic Society will be held Thursday evening, Dec. 21, '93, at 1131 Masonic Temple. BIDS TO BE BY THE LOT. Bids executed by P. M. Wolsieffer, 75 State St., Chicago, S. B. Hopkins, 75 State St., Chicago, or any member of the society.

The stamps can be seen at P. M. Wolsieffer's, 75 State St., Chicago, for one week prior to the day of sale.

*Unused; p. perforated; pp. part perf.; unp. unperforated; uns. unsevered; dgd. damaged; o. g. original gum; o. o. c. on original cover. Numbers by Scott's 53rd ed. catalogue.

LOT NO.

UNITED STATES.

1 *1846, Providence, entire sheet, 11 types 5c, 1 10c.
2 *—, ———,10c and type 5 of 5c, uns., o.g.
3 *—, ———, 5c, type 6, o.g.
4 *—, ——— ———, ——, type 7, o.g.
5 *—, ——— ———, ——, type 8, o.g.
6 1851, 3c (18); 1857, 3c (60); 1861, 1c (8); 1868, 3c (16).
7 1857, *1c, *3c, 3c outer line, *10c, 12c; 1861, *1c, 5c, 10c, 12c, 24c, 30c.
8 *——, 5c, no ornaments, fine.
9 *1861, 5c, yellow, slightly torn, mended no gum.
10 1863, 2c (140).
11 *1868, 5c, no gum.
12 *1872, 1c, 2c, 3c, 6c, 7c, 10c, 12c, 15c, 24c; 1882, 6c. The 12c and 24c are used.
13 1888, 90c (2); 1890, 90c (2).
14 *Newspaper, 1867, 5c.
15 Agri., 2c, (dgd), 3c, 6c; Int. 24c, 30c; Treas. 10c; Confederate, 1861, 5c green, (dgd).
16 *Executive, 1c, specimen.
17 *———, 2c, specimen.
18 Justice, *1c, specimen, 2c, 3c, 6c.
19 *———, 1c; Navy 1c; State 1c, all specimen.
20 *Cut sq. env., 1886, 4c on manilla, amber manilla; 1887, 4c on same papers. All corners of envs.

ENTIRE ENVELOPES.

21 1853, 3c, Die 2 on buff (3, one *), Die 1 on buff (2), Die 1 on white (2); 1864, 3c on white, pat. lines.
22 *— , Die 2 on buff, pat. lines. (Horner No. 15) Has been addressed.
23 *1857, 1c on buff (Horner No. 28.)
24 *— —,——, ———, pat. lines (Horner No. 30).
25 1861, 3c on white, same pat. lines; 3c on buff; 1864, 3c on white and buff; same pat. lines. 7 envs. All f. l. size
26 1864, 2c on orange Die 2; 1883 (Oct.). *2c on white, f. l. size, 82. wmk, addressed.
27 1870, 3c on white, amber, cream. 9 different.
28 *1874, 3c, Die B on amber, albino.
29 *— —, 6c on white, ext. off. * wmk.
30 *——, 90c on white, ext. off. 82 wmk.
31 *——, 5c Die B on white and amber, commerc. size; War 1874, 3c on blue.
32 * 1886, 10c on blue, or. buff, manilla, amber manilla size 3.
33 *——, ——, on same papers, size 4½.
34 *——, ——, on same papers. size 7.
35 *——, ——, on amber, size 2; on blue and manilla, size 5; on white, amb. and or. buff, size 9.
36 *1887. 2c rejected die on or. buff, size 3.
37 *——, 2c on or. buff, albino, size 5.
38 *——, —, on blue, albino, size 5.
39 *——, —, on white, albino, size 5.

REVENUES.

40 First Issues Doc., 2c Bank chk, orange, double perf. at top, same at bottom, same at top and bottom.
41 ——— ———, 5c Prop. silk p., 25c Bond unp.
42 ———————, 25c Bond, p.p.
43 ...., 25c Entry of Goods, unp. block of 4 (5), punched.
44 ....., $1 Manifest, unp., strip of 3, punched.
45 S. J. Burdsall, 1c white wrapper, wmk; Edward Wilder, 1c wmk., 4c large, silk.
46 J. F. Henry, 1c, silk (40)
47 Beer, series '71, 50c; '78, 12½, 25c.
48 Custom House, 20c (15), 40c (20), 60c (6).

LOCALS, CONFEDERATES, ETC.

49 1849, Blood local, bronze on lilac, o.o.c.
50 Confederate, 1861, 5c green, o.o.c. (2).
51 ——, 1863, 10c, used inside of env., which is turned and used again with another on outside.
52 ....., another.
53 ....., 1863, 10c, o.o.c. (6).
54 ....., P. M. hand stamp "Charleston, S. C. June 4, 1861," "Paid 5" on Confed. war env. Scarce.
55 ....., war envs, 13 var.
56 *Union, war envs, 17, a few duplicates.
57 P. M. hand stamps, 8 var. o.o.c.
58 ....., ..., Brattleboro, 1840. Scarce; similar to the one sold at Sterling sale for $50.
59 U. S. official cards, 5 var. 2*.

PROOFS, ALL *.

60 Postage due, complete, card board.
61 Treasury 1c, 2c, 6c, 7c, 10c, 30c, 90c, card board.
62 War, complete except 3c and 6c, card board.

63 Revenues, 1st issue, 1c express block of 6, with plate no "1 D", card board.
64 ....., ..., $2, mortgage, pair with marginal imprint and "plate no. 200 T." Card board.
65 ....., block of 4, stained, card board.
66 ....., $5 Conveyance, pair, card board
67 ....., $10 Char. Part. with marginal imprint, block of 3. Card board.
68 ....., $20 Prob. of Will. pair, card board.
69 ....., $25 Mortgage, pair, card board.
70 ..... strip of 3, with marginal imprint, card board.
71 ....., second issue, 3c, 10c, 20c, 25c, 50c, $1.90, $3.50, $25, $50, third issue 1c to $20 complete; card board.
72 ....., $3.50, pair, India paper.
73 ....., $50, card board.
74 ....., 3rd issue, 60c pair; prop. 10c pair; Sanitary Com. 20c pair. All card board.
75 ....., $2 pair, $3 pair, card board.
76 ....., $20 pair with marginal imprint; India paper.

FOREIGN.

77 *Afghanistan 1870, 1sh black.
78 *..... 1872, 1sh; 1877 1sh, black, 1sh green.
79 Argentine, 25 var. (catalogue $2.10.)
80 Azores, 1868, 5c, (cor. dgd) 1871, 50r.
81 Baden 1862, 30 kr., same *.
82 Bavaria, 1849, 1 to 12 kr. incl. 1862, 1 to 18 kr. incl.
83 Bermuda 1865, 1d, 2d, 1sh; 1872, 3d; 1875 1d. on 1sh; 1880 ½, 2½, 4d.
84 Brazil, 1850 30r, 60r, 90r; 1854 10r; 1866 60r.
85 *....., No. 304, Salvador, Nos. 111, 113. All entire. Last two surcharged Provisional.
86 Br. Nor. Borneo, 1883, 8c on 24c. No. 3.
87 Brunswick 1853 1sg. orange p.. 1sg. yellow p.; 2sg., 3sg.
88 ....., Nos. *10, *22, 11, 11a, 16, *18 to *21 incl.
89 Canada 1852 6d, wove paper cut close at top and bottom.
90 ....., 25 var. incl. nos. 3a, 12, 14, 15.
91 *....., env. sq. cu., 1860. 10c.
92 Cape of Good Hope 1853, *1d, 1sh, latter cut close.
93 ....., 1874 *1d on 1sh; Lagos 1875 1sh, c. c. wmk; Tobago 1886 ½ on 2½d
94 Ceylon 1882 20 on 64c; 1885 5 on 32c, 30 on 36c, 5 on 4c, 5 on 8c orange.
95 *Colombia 1868 50c.
96 *Curacao 1873 10c, 50c, 2g50c, 1889 30c, 60c, 1g50c 1c to 5c incl; 1892 12½c, 15c, 25c; Unpaid 9 var. complete except 12½c. Entire cards, 2½c, 2½c X 2½c, 5c, 5c X 5c, 7½c, 7½c X 7½c.
97 Danish W. Indies, 1887 1c on 7c (2); Barbados 1882 *6d; New S. Wales, 1854 6d brown.
98 Dominica, 1886 ½d on 6d pair, 1d on 1sh; Grenada 1886 *1d on 4d.
99 Dutch Indies 13 var. incl. nos. 1 and 10.
100*Egypt, officials, 70 var. some used.
101 Falkland Isles nos *3, *7, 8.
102 Finland 25 var. some scarce.
103 France 1849 20c, 1fr; 1850 10c, 25c; 1862 20c.
104 Fr. Colonies, Martinique 15c on 20c, type 1473.
105*....., St. P. and M., 1885, 5c on 4c.
106*Gambia, 1880 7 var. complete, o.g. 2d is used.
107 Germany T. and T., North, 1859, 5sg., 10sg.
108 Grenada, 2sh. orange and green revenue postally used without surcharge "Postage."
109 Guine 1879 *100r; 1881 *5r, *50r; 1885 *25r; La Guira *½r, *25r, both yellow paper; Turkey, Constantinople. 20pa.; Uruguay 1884 1c on 10c.
110 Hamburg, 20 var. incl. envs. 18*.
111*Honduras 1890 adhesives envs. and wrappers complete, 23 var.
112 Hong Kong 1880 5 on 8c, 10 on 12c; 1885 20 on 30c, 5c on 48c, $1 on 96c; 1874 $2.
113 India 1864 4a green, clipped on one side.
114 .....Jhind, nos. 1. 6, 7, 8, 23, 81, 89. All * but no. 81.
115 Madagascar 1886 1d. black surch.
116 Mexico, 1861 4r.
117 ....., 1862 4r.
118 ....., 1864 1, 2, 4r. 1866 eng. 13c, 25c 60c.
119*....., ent. env. 1874, 10, 25c; 1879, 4c.
120 ....., revenues, 18 var.
121 Natal 1874 5sh. fine.
122*Nevis, 1867 1d. lith. red' fine.
123 New Brunswick *1cbrown, *2c, *5c, 10c, 12½c.
124 New S. Wales, 1852 1sh. fine.
125 ....., 1854 3d; 1866 6d wmk. 12.
126 Oldenburg, nos. 1, 2, 3, 6.
127 Orange Free State, revenues used postally, 1sh, 5sh.
128 Peru nos. 63 (4 var. surch.), 65, 67, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105.
129 ...., 69, 71.
130 ...., 77, same double triangle, 79.
131 ...., 83, 85, (3 var. surch.), 86, 88a, 89.
132 ...., 217 (2 var. surch.), 228, 233, 238.
134 ...., 414a, 417a.
135 ...., 422, 423.
136 ...., 424, 425.
137 ...., 481, 577.
138 ...., 545, 552, 557.
139 ...., 548.
140*Phillipine Ids.1859 5c.
141 ..... 5c; 1870 5c.
142*Porto Rico, 1882 20c, 80c.
143*Schleswig Holstein, 1865 2sh, 4sh.
144 Switzerland, 1854 5, 10, 20, 40r, 1F.
145*Trinidad 1869 5sh. slightly dgd. in upper corners.
146 Wurtemburg, 1873, 70k, dgd. slightly in right upper corner; otherwise very fine.
147*Salvador, 1891, 21 varieties complete incl. envs and wrappers.
148 60 var. catalogue val. 3.60.
149 Set of 200 imported geographical charts, lith. in colors. A separate chart for each stamp issuing country. Perf. and gummed. O. O. C. (a semi-colon indicates that stamps preceding are on one cover.)
150 Argentine Nos. 38 (2), 29 (2), 56, 23; 78, 202, and 1892 2c; 91 (2), 209. 3 pieces.
151 Brazil, 1844 30r. (4).
152 ....., 1846 10r. block of 6. 2 dgd.
153 ....., 1850 60r (2).
154 Egypt nos. 32 pair; Germany Levant, 501; Monaco 6, 18 (2); San Marino 6, 12, 13, three pieces.
155 Fr. Col. 1881, 25c, postmarked Martinique; same, pair p. m. Taiti; same strip of 3 p. m. Guadeloupe. 3 pieces.
156 ....., Martinique, 1886 5c block of 6, 3 of type 1470, 3 of type 1472.
157 Gibraltar nos. 24; Great Brit. 806 ent. (3); South Australia 28a, 36, 40 (2), 44; Victoria 166, strip of 6. 6 pieces.
158 Peru nos. 112, 113, 114 (3), 115 (3); Uruguay 88 (4). 2 pieces.
159 Suriname nos. 4, 5; Dutch Indies 4, 6 (4) two pieces.

Lots intended for next sale, 29th, should be in my hands not later than Dec. 15th. Address all communications relating to this department to Dr. B. A. Cottlow, 220, 42d St., Chicago, Ill.

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